

4674. Adulteration of raisins. U. S. v. Wood & Selick Co., a corporation. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$10. (F. & D. No. 7080. I. S. No. 1495-h.)

On February 18, 1916, the United States attorney for the Southern District of New York, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against the Wood & Selick Co., a corporation, New York, N. Y., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and and Drugs Act, on April 17, 1914, from the State of New York into the State of Maryland, of a quantity of raisins which were adulterated. The article was labeled: "Recleaned California Thompson's Seedless Raisins. Packed by Bonner Packing Co., Fresno, Cal."

Examination of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed it to be covered with excreta; some pupa cases and live larvæ were present. The raisins were unfit for food at the time of examination.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that it consisted, in whole or in part, of a filthy and decomposed vegetable substance.

On March 24, 1916, the defendant company entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$10.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*